

# City of Baker City, Oregon

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November 16, 2017

Ms. Susan Morales EPA Region 10 1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900, Mailstop: ECL-112 Seattle, WA 98101

#### Dear Ms. Morales:

We are writing on behalf of the City of Baker City, Oregon to apply for an EPA Community-Wide Assessment Grant. Baker City, Oregon is a small rural town in NE Oregon, population approx. 10,000 which has grown by barely 1,000 over the last 70 years. Baker City is located in Baker County. Baker City has the second highest number of brownfield sites per capita in Oregon (82), as well as 47 known leaking underground storage tanks.

This application outlines our plans for the effective use of \$300,000.00 as we assess and work to remediate this situation. Though Baker City is submitting an individual grant, a key local partner, Baker Technical Institute (BTI) will take on a significant leadership role. Many other community partners will also contribute, and their letters of support can be found in Section 3: Community Engagement and Partnerships. Together we have identified three overarching areas of impact: (1) community and social health, (2) economic development, and (3) environmental. These focus areas are detailed below.

- (1) Community and social health issues of concern have been identified in Baker City. For example, according to the Oregon County Health Rankings, Baker County ranks 22nd of 36 Oregon counties for health issues such as mortality and morbidity, and 17th for health factors and behaviors related to clinical care needs, depressed socioeconomics, and perhaps most relevant to the present purpose physical environment. In fact, Baker County has two high poverty hotspots composed of two contiguous census tracts in and around Baker City. Since poor health correlates with the presence of brownfields nationally, we believe our brownfields are an ongoing threat to our regions' future and our vulnerable population.
- (2) Aligned with our city's economic development goals, we have selected three (of the four) major business corridors in Baker City for assessment: Main Street, Broadway, and 10th Street. This will include petroleum sites (\$200,000.00) and sites with historic use of hazardous materials (\$100,000.00). Once the assessments have been completed, our team will work with landowners on options for remediation (i.e. Landbank) and potential uses for their property that will not only help to increase our tax base but will also address some of the needs in our community (i.e. youth center).
- (3) As we seek to bring environmental concerns to the surface, we are looking to our youth. Baker Technical Institute (BTI), a key partner, is a career and technical education (CTE) program in its fourth year at the Baker High School.

Among a number of advanced career classes, BTI offers a unique high school course in brownfield management. Students spend an entire year engaged in real-world activities as they manage local brownfield assessment and cleanup, writing RFQs, conducting research, managing workflow, working alongside professionals in pertinent fields, etc. This class is unique in the country and has been recognized for its work nationally. Over the last four years, the students, led by Megan Alameda, have effectively managed the assessment and remediation of various brownfield properties in Baker City, successfully receiving a 'Letter of No Further Action' for their first site. In fact, this grant was initiated by the students and teachers at BTI who have asked us to collaborate on this project. Therefore, we did not seek a professional to write this grant application, rather, student voices may be heard throughout this narrative.

Students reviewed key city planning documents such as Baker City Vision 2030, Baker City's Strategic Plan, and the Baker City Parks Master Plan, and concluded that brownfields are a barrier to our economic vitality and public health and safety objectives.

Baker City has a rich a history of mining and logging. Located right off a major highway (I-84), it is has been a hub for shipping these products as well. Consequently, most contamination on our brownfields is from petroleum. As natural resources dwindled in the 1990's, Baker City's resource extraction as a means of economic revenue also declined, causing new business to develop. However, community health suffers and we lack clean land to develop. We need to assess and clean up these brownfields, while reimagining the future of our community. Inviting high school students to lead this effort is what gives us hope for our future.

Baker City is pleased to gather key partner organizations for our application along with this extraordinary group of high school students and teachers who have started us toward a better future. They will help us grow out of a town with an extractive past to one with a revitalized future.

Our community is ready to address our brownfields, using data to support a new vision for increased human health and safety and economic vitality. We respectfully submit this EPA Community Wide Assessment Grant application for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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#### <u>Appendix 3 - Regional Priorities Form/ Other Factors Checklist</u>

#### **Regional Priorities Form**

Name of Applicant: City of Baker City Oregon

**Regional Priorities Other Factor** 

If your proposed Brownfields Assessment project will advance the regional priority(ies) identified in Section I.F., please indicate the regional priority(ies) and the page number(s) for where the information can be found within your 15-page narrative. Only address the priority(ies)for the region in which your project is located. EPA will verify these disclosures prior to selection and may consider this information during the selection process. If this information is not clearly discussed in your narrative proposal, it will not be considered during the selection process.

Regional Priority Title(s): Region 10 → Protect and Enhance Water

Page Number(s): 3, 6-9, 13-15 and Powder Basin Watershed Council letter in Appendix 5.

#### **Assessment Other Factors Checklist**

Please identify (with an x) which, if any, of the below items apply to your community or your project as described in your proposal. To be considered for an Other Factor, you must include the page number where each applicable factor is discussed in your proposal. EPA will verify these disclosures prior to selection and may consider this information during the selection process. If this information is not clearly discussed in your narrative proposal or in any other attachments, it will not be considered during the selection process.

Other Factor	Page #
None of the Other Factors are applicable.	
Community population is 10,000 or less.	Page 1
Applicant is, or will assist, a federally recognized Indian tribe or United States territory.	
Target brownfield sites are impacted by mine-scarred land.	
Project is primarily focusing on Phase II assessments.	
Applicant demonstrates firm leveraging commitments for facilitating brownfield project completion by identifying amounts and contributors of funding in the proposal and have included documentation.	
Recent (2008 or later) significant economic disruption has occurred within community, resulting in a significant percentage loss of community jobs and tax base.	
Applicant is one of the 24 recipients, or a core partner/implementation strategy party, of a "manufacturing community" designation provided by the Economic	

Development Administration (EDA) under the Investing in Manufacturing Communities Partnership (IMCP). To be considered, applicants must clearly demonstrate in the proposal the nexus between their IMCP designation and the Brownfield activities. Additionally, applicants must attach documentation which demonstrate either designation as one of the 24 recipients, or relevant pages from a recipient's IMCP proposal which lists/describes the core partners and implementation strategy parties.

Applicant is a recipient or a core partner of HUD-DOT-EPA Partnership for Sustainable Communities (PSC) grant funding or technical assistance that is directly tied to the proposed Brownfields project, and can demonstrate that funding from a PSC grant/technical assistance has or will benefit the project area. Examples of PSC grant or technical assistance include a HUD Regional Planning or Challenge grant, DOT Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER), or EPA Smart Growth Implementation or Building Blocks Assistance, etc. To be considered, applicant must attach documentation.

Applicant is a recipient of an EPA Brownfields Area-Wide Planning grant.



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November 7, 2017

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RE: City of Baker City's application for a Community-Wide Assessment Grant

Dear Ms. Morales:

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) supports the \$300,000 Community-Wide Assessment application from the City of Baker City, a small town in rural northeastern Oregon. Baker City has a rich a history of mining and logging, and has acted as a hub for shipping finished products. As uses of natural resources dwindled in the 1990s, Baker City's business base and economic revenue also declined, leaving behind many vacant brownfield lots. The city's intention with this grant is to assess and clean up brownfields along three major business routes that have suffered most over the past 20-30 years. Drawing on key planning documents such as Baker City Vision 2030, Baker City's Strategic Plan, and the Baker City Parks Master Plan, the city has concluded that legacy brownfields along these corridors (and in other parts of the city) are barriers to local economic vitality and to public health and safety objectives.

Baker City is partnering with the Baker Technical Institute (BTI) to implement this project, if awarded. BTI provides a unique brownfields curriculum to high school students and is led by Megan Alameda, a 2015-16 Presidential Innovation Award for Environmental Educators award recipient. This curriculum began several years ago as part of a creative solution to return an idle brownfield property to production reuse. Since that initial site, Ms Alameda and her students have tackled several brownfield properties within Baker County. DEQ has worked with both Baker City and BTI over the years on various brownfield projects and looks forward to continuing this ongoing partnership.

This increasingly energized community has three brownfields-related priorities that need funding: community health, economic development, and stakeholder engagement; each is summarized below.

Community Health. Baker County ranks near the bottom among Oregon counties for health issues such as mortality and morbidity, and low for health factors/behaviors related to clinical care needs, depressed socioeconomics, and physical environment. Based on BTI class research, Baker City has many more brownfield sites per capita than the rest of Oregon – and because poor health correlates with the presence of brownfields, parts of Baker City's current physical environment pose ongoing threats to the region's future.

Economic Development – and Local History. Baker City has selected three major business corridors for brownfield evaluations and reuse planning – Main St., 10th St., and Broadway. The

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Main St. corridor is part of Oregon's longest continuous historic district and brownfield redevelopment efforts will balance retaining the city's historic past while re-imaging Baker City's future.

Stakeholder Engagement. Baker City and BTI will work together to enhance citizen engagement through cross-generational efforts. The BTI students have previously and will continue to engage the community in brownfields. This includes plans for one of the buildings located in the three target corridors to be uses as a Youth & Community Center. As part of the BTI curriculum, students spend a year managing local brownfield assessments and cleanups, writing procurement documents, conducting research, and working alongside professionals in pertinent fields. Baker City's youth are engaged in community brownfields and their efforts are causing other community members to take notice and get involved themselves.

DEQ supports Baker City's Community-Wide Assessment application to revitalize the city's three major business corridors because of both the urgent need for this work and results of the many recent brownfield initiatives led by local students. These efforts have energized the community and demonstrated the need for further work. Therefore, DEQ encourages EPA to award this grant to Baker City.

Sincerely,

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#### 1. COMMUNITY NEED

## A. Target area and Brownfields

i. <u>Community and Target Area Descriptions</u>: Baker City is an isolated, small, rural town with a population of 9,752 within 7 square miles, sitting in Baker County (population 16,005 within 3,068 square miles. 2010 census). Built right off the Oregon Trail, Baker City was first mapped in 1865 and grew rapidly after gold was discovered in 1861. Railroads were built through Baker, and by 1900 it was the largest city between Portland, OR and Salt Lake City, with a colorful reputation. Baker enjoyed prosperity for its first century as the rapid growth of mines and the lumber mills had a need for transportation, but in the 1990s as the mills closed and mining dwindled, the population and economy leveled. Old gas stations, machine shops, service stations, and car dealerships left their petroleum footprint behind and not much has grown since then.

Our Target Area is the city limits of Baker City and our assessment of brownfields is focused on three of Baker City's commercial street corridors (Main Street, Broadway, and 10th Street) which comprise the majority of our City's local economy and therefore impacts the entire City. Within those 30 blocks are 25 known brownfields. These brownfields are located within a half-mile of a middle school, two high schools, numerous businesses, and surrounded by residences.

Baker City is a typical small, rural town trying to adapt after its natural resource based economy disappeared. Surrounded by fertile farms and ranches and outlined by National Forests and Wilderness areas, Baker City's heart is its historic downtown and business corridors that together make it a beautiful place to visit and live. Our business corridors are not fully functional with blighted properties mixed throughout and have become an obstacle for our community's economic prosperity, health and self-worth. Baker City's legacy is represented in 84 total brownfield sites within the town, the second highest per capita in the state. On an economic level, our ability to fill storefronts, attract businesses, and generate new entrepreneurial enterprises in this small town is hampered by the unusually high number of brownfields. Environmentally, Baker's shallow groundwater, the Powder River flowing through town, and ubiquitous petroleum impacts combine to cause a potentially harmful soil and groundwater contaminant pathway. Socially, data about Baker reveal that our community is not healthy, lacking the tools, means, and self worth to help Baker even maintain healthy indicators.

The inspiration to pursue this EPA Community Wide Assessment Grant (CWA) is drawn from the success of our local Environmental Science Brownfields class at the Baker Technical Institute (BTI). The course has involved high school students in learning about brownfields through cleaning up real properties in Baker City. This program is unique in the nation and has received awards for it's innovation as well as for its supportive partnerships within the community. Award of a FY 2018 CWA grant would help build on and continue the innovative brownfield remediation program initiated by the BTI students, as well as engage the community in a larger vision, help support our waterways' health, and create opportunities for a more sustainable community.

ii. <u>Demographic Information and Indicators of Need:</u> As can be seen below, Baker City and County display higher than average; percent on disability under 65, poverty rate, unemployment rate, and percent of the population over the age of 65. We have a lower than average; percent minority, percent getting higher education, percent in the workforce, and income. In summation, our community has less people adding to our economy and more people needing more from it.

Table 1: Demographic Data	Target Area: City	Baker County	Oregon	National
Population: 2015	9,777	16,005	3,939,233	316,127,5134
Percent Minority: 2015	6.0%	5.1%	26.0%	37.8%4
Percent over 65: 2015	20.5%	25.9%	15.4%	15.2%
Percent disability- under 65: 2010-2014	15.2%	13.5%	10.2%	8.6%
Bachelor's degree or higher: 2015	20.6%	19.8%	30.8%	29.8%
Unemployment: 2015	12.8%	10.1%	9.3%	8.3%4
Poverty Rate: 2010-2014	15.7%	20.6%	15.4%	15.5%4
In civilian labor force: 2011-2015	54.1%	53.4%	62.1%	63.3%
Median Household Income: 2015	\$36,778	\$41,098	\$51,243	\$53,889
Per Capita Income: 2011-2015	\$22,746	\$24,360	\$27,684	\$28,930
<sup>2</sup> Diabetes Rate: 2014	9.7%	7.9%	7.0%	6.8%
<sup>3</sup> Brownfields: 2016	84 sites	170 sites	5380 sites	450,000+ sites
Brownfields per capita:	116.4	94.1	732.2	702.5

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>US Census - www.census.gov

<u>iii. Description of the Brownfields</u>: Brownfields surround our schools, businesses, parks and homes in Baker City. Many of the brownfields are located in the commercial districts which also happen to be along our major transportation corridors. Gas stations, auto shops and service stations used to line Broadway Street, which consequently has a disproportionately high number of brownfields (39%). Twenty one of the twenty five sites we focused on for this grant are

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Center for Disease Control and Prevention - <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/diabetes/atlas/countydata/atlas.html">https://www.cdc.gov/diabetes/atlas/countydata/atlas.html</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> DEQ ECSI Database - http://www.deq.state.or.us/lq/ecsi/ecsi.htm

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Data are from the 2011-2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates available on American FactFinder at <a href="https://factfinder.census.gov/faces/nav/jsf/pages/community\_facts.xhtml">https://factfinder.census.gov/faces/nav/jsf/pages/community\_facts.xhtml</a>. Note, the percent minority is derived from the HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE population table (i.e., the sum of the Hispanic or Latino (of any race), Black or African American alone, American Indian and Alaska Native alone, Asian alone, Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone, Some other race alone and two or more races percentages).

presumed to be contaminated by petroleum and over half of those suspected sites are within a short walking distance of Baker Middle School and residential neighborhoods.

Correlating properties from the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality's (DEQ) Environmental Cleanup Site Inventory (ECSI), with Baker City today, there are three areas of concern within the target area that contain sensitive populations and sensitive environmental areas: Baker Middle School, Baker High School and the Powder River. Baker Middle School is located in the middle of Broadway, surrounded by 20 of the targeted brownfield sites within four blocks. The site at 2150 Broadway, for example, is just two blocks away from Baker Middle School, and is still used today as a gas station. A site that was formerly Baker Motor Co. and is now an empty building and lot with an underground storage tank (UST), is located one block behind the middle school and fully accessible to youth. In addition to former gas station properties and their potential petroleum issues, a few sites may have other hazardous contaminants, such as the former Williams Cleaner & Laundry and a residence near the Powder River suspected of containing mercury.

One of the potential brownfield sites that will be assessed is our local Salvation Army Thrift Store. This site is located at 2505 Broadway Avenue, directly next to the Baker Middle School. It provides low cost clothing and household items and also serves as a primary food bank in Baker City. This site was formerly known as the Slocum-Brown Motor Company, is suspected to have petroleum contamination, and has direct contact with Baker's low-income population. With the help of this grant, we believe we can work with the Salvation Army to not only work towards eliminating it as a potential brownfield, but to also develop a plan for building improvements to serve the Food Bank needs of Baker County.

# B. Welfare, Environmental and public health Impacts

i. Welfare Impacts: With 25 brownfields in 30 blocks, the blight is obvious in the heart of our town. Vacant businesses contain stacks of boxes or dusty antiques, cracked or boarded windows, and/or peeling lead paint. Though we have wide streets, we lack adequate parking spaces and bike lanes. In some areas, the streets lack contiguous sidewalks and there aren't enough crosswalks for a pedestrian to safely reach the other side.

Both 10th street and Broadway's blight has changed the street's use and activities along the streets. With few stores to stop in, these streets have become driving corridors rather than pedestrian friendly walking streets. Residences around these corridors are run down and have attracted drug activity. The percent poverty in these 2 areas is between 22%-33%, the highest in our town. Our abandoned, blighted properties have bred more blight, less pedestrian friendly access, and shows a lack of investment.

ii. <u>Cumulative Environmental Issues</u>: As a result of our geographic isolation and history of natural resource extraction, Baker City's industries are agriculture, mining, and logging - and with each of those come transportation. Our community is pocked with over 80 mines and 5 abandoned mills, leaving not only dilapidated blight, but also petroleum imprints.

Baker was built when underground storage tanks were the best way to heat homes, and though we have 49 LUSTs listed, there are many more unaccounted for. The Powder River runs right through the center of town and passes several potential brownfields. Baker City also maintains a number of irrigation canals which pull from and input into the Powder River as well as a stormwater system. Consequently, the Powder River may also be a contaminant pathway that would expose wildlife and children who fish and recreate in the river.

iii. <u>Cumulative Public Health Impacts</u>: According to the Oregon Health Rankings for health issues, Baker County ranks 17th and 22nd of 36 Oregon counties. The 2013 Community Health Needs Report found a number of poor health indicators specific to Baker County. The rate of premature death exceeds that of the State of Oregon average by 142.46%. We also found that Baker County's cancer mortality rate is the highest in the local area at almost 200 in 100,000 and well above both Oregon and United States averages. Baker County continues to demonstrate a higher rate of breast, lung and prostate cancer mortality when compared to our neighboring counties, the State of Oregon, and the U.S. Further, Baker County's colon & rectal cancer mortality rates are higher than all the other comparison groups, with 23.2 people out of every 100,000 incidents of colorectal cancer dying.

According to data from the Oregon Public Health Assessment Tool (ORPHAT), between 2010-2013, 61.2% of the population experienced one or more of these chronic conditions (arthritis, diabetes, asthma, heart disease/stroke, cancer, depression, COPD) which is higher than our state average. Between 2012-2015 that rate went up to 65.1% and 63.3% for the population living in poverty in Baker County. These numbers are continuing to rise in Baker and create a significant sensitive population. The high number of brownfield sites in Baker City has significant effect on these health issues directly through contamination pathways and indirectly by negatively impacting growth and development opportunities that would otherwise bring broader benefits to the community.

#### C. Financial Need

i. Economic Conditions: The health, safety and economic vitality of our community has been and always will be the top priority for Baker City. Unfortunately, with the economic downturn at the end of the 1900's, Baker City was stripped of our former ways of making money and hasn't found a replacement. Our neighboring county to the west, Union, has historically shared similar challenges with Baker County, but has still managed to grow economically. In 1996 Baker City/County hit an all time high unemployment rate of 11% while Union County's rate was 7.5%. (Source: Oregon Employment Department Qualityinfo.org) From April 2010 to July 2016, population estimates report that while Union County grew by 1.3%, Baker County's population declined by 0.50%. (Source: US Census Bureau) With a population that is trending downward and an aging workforce, it is imperative that steps are taken to address Baker's declining economy.

Until we see growth, current revenue streams for the City will not allow for the assessment that we are proposing. Property tax revenue is expected to remain flat, franchise fees are not expected to see an increase anytime soon, and fee rates for utilities continue to be a challenge for residents to afford. Oregon has no sales tax. Baker City's planned wastewater treatment facility is expected to cost between \$5,000,000 and \$7,000,000, while we are still paying for our water treatment upgrade. Aging equipment at our public safety departments is being addressed as well costing upwards of \$400,000.00. Complicating matters is the fact that the Public Employee Retirement System (PERS) and health care costs are continuing to rise. While the 2018-19 budget will see an increase of 7% to personnel costs, the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 budget will see an additional 10%. The grant funding would allow us to quantify needs, create local visioning, and support economic investments that we couldn't do on our own. ii. Economic Effects of Brownfields: Out of 205 buildings for businesses on 10th, Main and Broadway, 25 are on the DEQ ECSI database, and 45 are vacant or not used for business (storage). 22% of our local commercial corridor is not being used and is contributing to a source

of blight. Before Interstate 84 was developed, 10<sup>th</sup> Street (Hwy 30) and Broadway were the gateway into Baker City. Reduction in commerce in these districts caused many businesses to close, gas stations moved closer to the interstate, and many of these buildings have been left vacant. Once 10th Street was a main thoroughfare, but now has become the "outskirt" of town, with poor sidewalks, vacated lots and no green spaces. Broadway and 10<sup>th</sup> Street are well behind in redevelopment efforts with 39% of Broadway's buildings vacant. The potential and perceived areas of contamination are easy to spot and have resulted in lack of investment and community development.

As illustrated by the table in Section 1.A.ii, Baker City is struggling with high poverty and unemployment rates and has been since 1980. With unused buildings, nonbusiness used buildings (storage), and brownfields, Baker is losing both economic opportunities and jobs. We have had many potential business owners who are looking to purchase or rent clean, business ready properties, however we have not been able to provide these spaces for economic investment into Baker. A community-wide assessment grant could be the catalyst for development and renewed interest in targeted areas; thereby increasing the value of the property, surrounding areas, and encouraging business expansion and job creation in the identified areas.

# 2. PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND FEASIBILITY OF SUCCESS

# a. Project Description, Redevelopment Strategy, and Timing and Implementation

i. Project Description and Alignment with Revitalization Plans: Baker City has a plan that, together with 10 key partners, will make a substantial positive impact on Baker's community health. We want to tackle brownfields in Baker City right at the heart of the three impacts that brownfields have on a community; economic, environmental, and social. To tackle the economic impact, we will assess the ECSI listed brownfields as well as other vacant buildings to prioritize the needs of each of the three business corridors. This will serve as a baseline for the City as well as for property owners. In order to support and prepare for the next step of cleanup, BTI will be hosting workshops for these businesses to help them understand their options. Baker City and BTI are interested in forming a Land Bank (under Oregon state law) to help with the cleanup process. BTI has created a brownfield cleanup program, which will serve as the template by which property owners can donate their property to BTI, or eventually the Land Bank, to have it cleaned up - while funding BTI's brownfield program - and then the property will go back to the owner or to the market for its new use.

Our largest environmental concern is the Powder River that runs through the center of town. With shallow groundwater and a well-used river in town, water is a potential contaminant pathway. BTI and the Powder Basin Watershed Council (PBWC) will set up river monitoring locations throughout town in direct relation to potential brownfields. In the three years of the grant, we will collect enough data to analyze the health of the Powder River in relation to brownfields. Baker has a walking path along the Powder River, and to support both river health and community health, BTI, PBWC, and Baker's Parks and Recreation department will assess the needs of the River and Pathway system. The Parks and Recreation goals include expanding the pathway and BTI would like to create some interpretive signs to educate Baker's citizens about the importance of the health of the river.

Baker City's community health has stagnated because of a downturned economy, generational poverty, and a lack of resources to help support either. Baker is also starting to see health issues in younger ages and we are struggling to keep up with the needs. Working with the Baker Health Department, St. Alphonsus Hospital, and LCAC, Baker will find a location and

begin designs for a Youth and Community Center with the help of the City, BTI, and the Youth Activity Center Coalition. We have several buildings that would support this venture and this grant would provide the format to bring stakeholders together for this purpose.

Baker City has, in the last few decades, produced many plans and visions for the current and future needs of the community's parks and transportation needs, the historic district and business corridors, and the city at large. While these plans have been in various states of actualization, we realize that the presence of brownfields has prevented us from meeting many of these objectives in the past. This grant has allowed us the opportunity to combine some shared goals, actualize some visions, and collaborate to set the stage for more visioning. Below are some of those goals and their relation to increasing economic vitality, improving the quality and access of our waterways and parks, and evaluating community health and safety in our town.

Table 2: Baker	Table 2: Baker City Visions/Plans					
Vision or Plan	Goals that meet this grant's objectives					
Baker City Vision (2010)	Preserve and enhance the authenticity and uniqueness of Baker City, particularly the traditional commercial core that includes the Historic District, Broadway, 10th Street, and Campbell Street.  Continue to emphasize and enhance the community's pedestrian friendly urban environment and park network.					
Parks Master Plan (2016)	Expand the existing park system to better serve the local community. Create pocket parks.					
Baker City Comprehensive Plan (2013)	To preserve, protect, and conserve the quality of our environment and natural resources while providing for the orderly growth and development of the City. The Powder River is a recreation resource in the city both as a habitat for game fish, principally rainbow trout, and for swimming and other related activities.					
Baker City Strategic Plan (2012)	Business retention and expansion - take a community-wide approach to addressing business needs, identify solutions for businesses, engage civic groups or volunteers to partner in the work, build good public relations for municipalities and economic development organizations.					
Community Health Needs Assessment (2013 & 2016)	Priority 1 - Nutrition, Physical Activity & Weight Status; physical fitness opportunities Priority 2 - Health Services; living in a healthy environment Priority 4 - Financial Stability; a job with a livable wage					

ii. <u>Redevelopment Strategy</u>: The properties that are assessed will then be prioritized for cleanup needs. Property owners will attend workshops created by Business Oregon, Hatch, and BTI to educate them about the brownfield cleanup process. Baker City and BTI will initiate the creation of a Land Bank that will build on the program that BTI has created and help facilitate the cleanup process. Baker City and BTI will work with property owners to determine their needs from their property and create an Memorandum of Understanding to help meet each individual need. Baker

City will work with property owners to use existing infrastructure for each site. The Land Bank will provide the place to contain the property titles so we can begin cleanup. Similar to projects BTI has worked on in the past, the property owner will donate their property to the Landbank for cleanup and then the property will be given back to the owner clean.

- 1. Contractor procurement: The City of Baker City has adopted Resolution No. 3778. This resolution outlines contracting procedures that reflect applicable State and local laws and regulations and conform with applicable Federal law and the standards identified in 2 CFR Parts 200.317 through 200.326. Based on the project budget for contractual services the City would initiate the Request for Proposal procedure, accept sealed bids, evaluate proposals and present recommendation to the City Council for approval. The timeline for this process will take approximately 60 days. Once the grant is awarded in the spring of 2018, students in the Brownfields course will work together with the City to write the Request for Proposals (RFP) to hire an environmental consultant. The RFP will be approved by the City Council and posted publicly, as well as given directly to consultants we have worked with in the past. A committee of stakeholders will form to evaluate proposals during the competitive procurement process.
- 2. Development of site inventory and prioritization: When developing our site inventory, we initially used the DEQ ECSI database to map the sites and their proximity to each other, to parks, sensitive populations, and to the Powder River. Students have been using ATSDR's Site Tool Database to evaluate these sites and will assist the environmental consultant with a tour of the streets and help categorize and prioritize properties to include in the Phase I assessments. Students and the consultant will present their final list of prioritized sites to the City Council for discussion and approval.
- 3. Obtain and secure site access: In the last year, Baker City and Baker Technical Institute have worked closely with a new organization of downtown businesses called Baker City Downtown (BCD). BTI students conducted a survey of these businesses and started Baker's current business directory for the City. This process has helped create a relationship with many businesses who are supportive of our effort to help get vacant buildings business ready. We have also received Memorandums of Understanding from 3 property owners who are willing to support this process with their own business. Those property and business owners who have pledged their support will work with us to speak with those who still have reservations about being involved. We will conduct another informational meeting once the grant is awarded and discuss the grant requirements, goals, and next steps with these stakeholders.

# b. Task Descriptions and Budget Table

iii. Timing and Implementation:

i. <u>Task Descriptions</u>: The scope of work has been organized into six tasks, as detailed below. For each task, the City proposes Leveraging (i.e., City personnel in-kind labor contributions) to assist with eligible activities. Contributions made by BTI students are included as total hours dedicated to appropriate project-supporting education activities. Outputs are in *italics* below and are outlined in Section 5.c, Table 5.

<u>Task 1 - Project Management and Programmatic Activities:</u> (\$16,840, Grant-Funded Activities + \$2,940 Leveraging): This task includes \$2,000/grant (42 hrs at \$35/hr) for City project management/administration and other eligible activities to support project tasks. \$4,950/grant (45 hrs at \$110/hr) is budgeted in this task as contractual costs for preparing

12 periodic reports, including ACRES and other eligible activities to support project management. \$2,000/grant is for City staff (up to two) to attend two three-day national conferences or state/regional conferences. Estimated travel costs include airfare (\$400/person/conference= \$2,000) and hotel, meal, and incidental costs (\$200/person/day/conference= \$2,400).

Task 2—Community Involvement: **(\$22,400, Grant-Funded Activities + \$3,080 Leveraging)**: This task includes: 1) coordinating and conducting approximately *eight meetings with the Baker Advisory Committee (BAC)* and four community meetings (see Section 3a); 2) enacting meaningful public input with BTI's work into the grant program implementation; 3) preparing and publishing public notices; 4) preparing meeting materials and presentations; and 5) preparing and distributing brochures and other public information. (Additional details are provided in Section 3.) The community outreach budget includes \$9,240/grant (84 hrs at \$110/hr) for the City's consulting firm to *facilitate four community outreach meetings, produce project informational materials, and assist the City with site-specific outreach*. Budgeted supply costs of \$1,000/grant include printing costs (\$300); *public-notice mailing expenses* (\$400); and *public meeting display boards* and other graphic materials (\$300). The budget (for each grant) includes City personnel costs of \$1,540 at \$35/hr to assist with community outreach activities. Leveraging: \$1,400 (40 hrs at \$35/hr) per grant. BTI student contribution in the form of meeting coordination and facilitation is estimated at 20 hrs.

Task 3—Inventory, Prioritization, and EDs: (\$11,600 Grant-Funded Activities + \$2,800 **Leveraging**): This presents an opportunity to build on the recent inventory to engage the community in a comprehensive site identification, prioritization, and eligibility determination (ED) process. Data gathered during the recent inventory will be linked to City GIS and integrated with existing regional databases. The City and contractor will perform the following activities as part of this task: 1) conduct tours/windshield surveys of brownfield sites throughout the target area to confirm potential brownfield sites, as well as verify current conditions, development opportunities, and constraints; 2) survey local developers, real-estate industry representatives, property owners, and other stakeholders to gauge interest in the program and collect additional site information to supplement the inventory; 3) work with the BAC and partners listed in Section 3.b. and c. to confirm selection criteria and rank sites based on community priorities; 4) produce a Site Inventory and Prioritization Report; and 5) complete eligibility determinations for the top 20 high-priority opportunity sites. The budget includes City personnel costs of \$1,400/ grant (40 hrs at \$35/hr) to assist with inventory, prioritization, and ED activities. The budget (for each grant) includes contractual services of \$5,500 (50 hrs at \$110/hr) to perform windshield surveys, participate in stakeholder outreach activities, and assist with prioritization and ED activities. Leveraging: \$1,400 (40 hrs at \$35/hr) per grant. BTI student contribution of inventory preparation and prioritization, windshield surveys and interviews is estimated at 15 hrs. Task 4—Phase I ESAs: (\$51,400 Grant-Funded Activities + \$1,400 Leveraging): Under direction of the City, the contracted environmental consulting firm will complete an estimate of 8 *Phase I ESA*s at up to six high-priority petroleum and two hazardous-substance brownfield sites. Phase I ESAs will be performed consistent with the All Appropriate Inquiries Final Rule and the standards set forth in the ASTM E1527-13 Phase I ESA Process. Digital copies of all Phase I ESA reports will be linked to site information contained in City GIS. The contractor will complete Phase I ESAs, including health and safety plans (HASPs), and ACRES updates, at an average cost of \$5,000 (total cost of \$20,000/grant). The budget (for each grant) includes City

personnel costs of \$700 (25 hrs at \$35/hr) to assist with data acquisition, report review, and distribution. Leveraging: \$700 (25 hrs at \$35/hr) per grant.

Task 5—Phase II ESAs, Remedial Action Plans (RAPs) and Area-Wide Planning (AWP): (\$169,000 Grant Funded Activities + \$2,800 Leveraging): The environmental contractor will perform the following activities: 1) preparation of a comprehensive Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) at an estimated cost of \$7,000 (\$3,500/grant); 2) completion of Phase II ESAs at five high-priority petroleum and one hazardous-substance site (average cost of \$22,000 (\$66,000/grant)); 3) preparation of RAPs/Site-Specific Reuse Plans at one petroleum and one hazardous substance site [average costs of \$10,300/grant); and 4) AWP activities (average cost of \$21,000/grant). Phase II ESA costs include site-specific sampling and analysis plans (SSSAPs) and HASPs. The budget (for each grant) includes City personnel costs of \$1,400 (40 hrs at \$35/hr) to assist with data acquisition, report review and distribution. Leveraging: \$2,800 (40 hrs at \$35/hr). BTI student contribution of support for AWP activities is estimated at 10 hrs. Task 6-Human and Environmental Health Monitoring (H&EHM): (\$30,000 Grant Funded Activities + \$1,260 Leveraging) This task consists of Powder River monitoring to track contamination associated with Brownfields in the target area, and a Human Health Assessment (HHA) to assess the human health conditions impacting residents of the community. The River monitoring will be directed by a contractor at a cost of \$20,000 (\$35/hr. at 50 hrs. + equipment). The majority of the field work will be completed by BTI students (36 hours). The HHA will be completed on coordination with OHA. The budget allocates \$10,000/grant for the HHA. \$4,400 of personnel cost (\$35/hr. at 125 hrs.) is allocated for City staff to direct these studies. ii. Budget Table.

Table 3: Budget Tables							
Categories	P	roject Task	s: Petroleun	1 Funding			
Programma	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4	Task 5	Task 6	Total
tic costs only	Project management	Communit y Involve	Inventory, Prioritize.	Phase I ESAs	Phase II ESAs,	Н&ЕНМ	
Personnel	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$2,400	\$1,200	\$2,400	\$3,200	\$12,000
Travel	\$2,000					\$300	\$2,300
Supplies		\$1,000				\$500	\$1,500
Contractual	\$4,400	\$8,800	\$6,400	\$42,800	\$110,800	\$11,000	\$184,200
Total US EPA Funds	\$7,800	\$11,200	\$8,800	\$44,000	\$113,200	\$15,000	\$200,000
Categories	Pr	oject Tasks	: Hazardous	Materials	}		
Programma	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4	Task 5	Task 6	Total
tic costs only	Project management	Communit y Involve	Inventory, Prioritize.	Phase I ESAs	Phase II ESAs,	Н&ЕНМ	
Personnel	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$400	\$200	\$400	\$3,200	\$7,000
Travel	\$2,000					\$300	\$2,300
Supplies		\$1,000				\$500	\$1,500
Contractual	\$4,400	\$8,800	\$2,400	\$7,200	\$55,400	\$11,000	\$89,200

Total US EPA Funds \$7,800	\$11,200	\$2,800	\$7,400	\$55,800	\$15,000	\$100,000
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Travel to brownfields-related training conferences is an acceptable use of these grant funds.

#### c. Ability to leverage:

The City is committed to contribute staff time and resources necessary to oversee the project. The City may pursue additional funds for the project and redevelopment costs should the grant be awarded. The City has a history of successfully leveraging funds for other projects in the past. We anticipate that if we receive this grant and complete our visioning piece of the project scope, we would apply for funds from the Leo Adler Foundation, the Ford Family Foundation, Regional Solutions and possibly a Community Development Block Grant. We will also provide information for private landowners to pursue funding mechanisms through resources such as Business Oregon and the Department of Environmental Quality.

Source	Purpose/Role	Amount (\$)	Status
BTI	Students will provide some of the labor needed to monitor, research, and facilitate meetings.	81+ hours	Secured Resource (see BTI Letter of Support)
Regional Solutions	Funding to initiate Landbank process & hire David Rabbino	\$10,000	Pending Resource

# 3. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND PARTNERSHIP

# a. Engaging Community

i. Community Involvement Plan: Students from BTI and Baker City will collaborate to lead three types of meetings for different audiences; public community meetings to educate the Baker City Community at large, business corridor visioning meetings for the property and business owners in the three business corridors, and progress meetings with community partners to discuss expectations and data collection efforts. As no neighborhood residential organizations exist, we have relied on the number of local and regional organizations whose missions coincide with our project plans. We will tie into the City's existing approach for community outreach that has been used for connecting the community to city projects. If the grant is awarded, the grant administrators will 1) collaborate with the community partners to design a meeting schedule for timely updates and collaboration, 2) connect with property owners to engage in workshops and future assessment work, and 3) coordinate with BTI students to facilitate a kick-off meeting. ii. Communicating Progress: The grant project is born out of the motivation from our community's primary stakeholders in our future - our students. The students will be leading the community involvement as well as playing an integral role in their own enrichment as a stakeholder. The grant collaborators (Baker City and BTI) will be meeting 1) once a month to discuss grant project progress, 2) three times each with the group of property owners and with the group of community partners separately, and 3) four public community open houses. In order to educate the public, we will also host a website of the project's progress, write updates in the City's newsletter and attend events held by our community partners. Students will lead in the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> EPA defines equipment as items that cost \$5,000 or more with a useful life of more than one year. Items costing less than \$5,000 are considered supplies. Generally, equipment is not required for Assessment Grants. Reminder: Administrative costs, such as indirect costs, of grant administration with the exception of financial and performance reporting costs are ineligible grant activities.

facilitation of these meetings as well as assist with continuous work on the grant project. We will utilize multiple modes of communication such as; the City and BTI's webpages, email, newsletters, newspaper articles, surveys and radio advertising as well as meetings to solicit input from stakeholders, which have, in combination, been effective in our small rural town.

# **b.** Partnerships with Government Agencies

i. <u>Local/State/Tribal Environmental Authority:</u> Baker City anticipates working closely with our regional Department of Environmental Quality during the assessment phase and even more so during the mitigation and cleanup efforts. DEQ will provide consultation and support through their permitting and processes. In discussing the formation of the Land Bank, DEQ will provide information about legitimizing that process along with Business Oregon and others.

ii. Other governmental partnerships: Baker City looks forward to working with the following federal, state and local government agencies to ensure a successful brownfield project: Baker County Public Health Department - Baker City will work with the Baker County Public Health Department and support their efforts to survey and educate residents within the targeted areas on the health concerns regarding brownfields. Should contamination be discovered during the assessment of targeted areas, the city will notify the Health Department of such findings and work with them to identify risks and coordinate health testing if needed. There is also the opportunity to now work with our local Coordinated Care Organization and their members on what the health concerns are and continue to be in Baker City.

Economic Development Council - The Economic Development Council (EDC), created in partnership between Baker City and Baker County in 2004, has just recently approved a new agreement laying out the priorities of this government appointed board. There is a new found urgency within local government to support community development and revitalization efforts. The EDC will be a valuable resource throughout the entire grant process. This council serves as a "hub" for business development, expansion and recruitment. Feedback from the EDC during our visioning process will be key as we move forward with the project.

<u>Workforce Solutions Team</u> - Our Workforce Solutions Team, consisting of representatives from the Department of Human Services, Employment Office, Baker City, Baker County, Baker Technical Institute, Economic Development, Blue Mt. Community College and Tourism and Marketing, will be available to advise our efforts to utilize local employers, employees at the same time, possibly aiding in workforce development.

<u>Department of Environmental Quality</u> - Not only will we be seeking DEQ's guidance and technical support throughout the project, we will work with staff to explore additional funding opportunities and methods to mitigate the effects of contaminated properties.

<u>Governor's Regional Solutions Team</u> - By working closely with our Eastern Oregon Regional Solutions Team, it is our hope that we can fully explore additional partnerships, funding opportunities and provide updates to be shared at the state level.

# C. Partnerships with Community Organizations

i. Community Organization Descriptions & Roles:

**Baker Technical Institute (BTI):** A high school class that learns about the context of brownfields, while facilitating the cleanup of local brownfield properties. For the grant: These students have been involved in the research, writing/editing of part of this grant as well as the facilitation of meetings and communication to the community. The project will involve the students in more research, community communication, and data analysis which can be performed throughout the school years with continued number of participants.

**Baker City Downtown (BCD):** A non-profit organization that strives to preserve and enhance the vitality and character of the community through the beautification, promotion and development of downtown Baker City through Oregon Main Street. For the grant: BCD's Economic Vitality Committee will be working closely with us to: survey current businesses, educate, and foster a positive business environment.

**Hatch Lab Baker:** A non-profit that provides business, legal, and financial technical services for business and property owners. For the grant: Hatch staff and its network will help with planning, information distribution through its community channels, and offer fundraising and business development training locally.

**Powder Basin Watershed Council:** Local watershed council that monitors the Powder Basin's water quality. The council serves to promote, restore and enhance the health of our watershed through the cooperation of stakeholders. For the grant: Powder Basin Watershed Council will monitor Powder River which runs around and within Baker City. They will continuously monitor the river for temperature, pH, conductivity, petroleum, and other indicators of contamination, contributing key data to the project.

**Baker Youth Activity Center Coalition (BYACC):** A group of stakeholders interested in creating a center for youth to support healthy choices, recreational activities, and work/life skills. For the grant: Collaborate with BTI and other partners to understand Baker's youth needs and community needs that are not being met. Find one of the buildings in the focus area to begin planning a physical Youth Center.

Health Dept, Local Community Advisory Council (LCAC), St. Alphonsus: Three groups that work to provide health resources and services for Baker City & County. For the grant: These three groups will pool their data to gain a larger understanding of Baker City's health status and needs. These data will serve as a foundation for visioning the Youth & Community Center. Business Oregon: Brownfields department of Business Oregon which gives grants and loans for brownfield assessment, cleanup and projects. For the grant: Business Oregon will help with workshops, consultation, and support of the formation of the Landbank.

**Greater Eastern Oregon Regional Solutions:** *Governor's team that addresses community and economic development needs that are unique to each region.* For the grant: The Eastern Oregon Regional Solutions Team will be our resource and liaison with the State for problem solving and seizing funding opportunities.

**Parks and Recreation Department:** The Parks and Recreation Department is guided by the City Council and the Parks and Recreation Board. Their master plan calls for additional green spaces, park development and expansion of the Leo Adler Memorial Pathway. For the grant: This department will collaborate and oversee the improvements and/or expansion of our park system. ii. Letters of Commitment: Letters of support from these community partners are found in Appendix 5.

**D. Partnership with Workforce Development Programs** As mentioned in Section 3.b, Baker City and County is fortunate to have a very active Workforce Development Team in place with the focus of creating workforce development opportunities for both employers and employees. Baker City is committed to working with this team to promote local hiring throughout the project. Most recently, the local Department of Human Services Office has developed a program for their clients to provide job skills training for family wage employment opportunities through BTI. Baker City is facing a shortage of jobs as well as a skilled workforce to meet the needs of these jobs. BTI was created to fill this need as well and students and administrators will work

with the workforce development team to support skill development for local business placement. The City of Baker City looks forward to working with local programs such as these to help increase skills for our labor force during our project timeline.

#### 4. PROJECT BENEFITS

a. Welfare, Environmental, and Public Health Benefits This first act of assessing the business corridor brownfields will allow the city to make progress on realizing key goals; identify connections between human and environmental health, improve our environment, and identify our health needs. Outputs from these goals will be two data sets; one on the health of the residents and workers in the focus areas and one on the health of the Powder River. The Baker County Health Department will facilitate a survey of residents and workers in the three focus areas to determine if there are higher incidences of environmentally caused issues. This may also help us determine contaminant pathways so we could trace the source and prevent the exposure. This will also help us asses the health needs which will further the Health Department's goals to meet these needs.

With this grant we will also be able to monitor the Powder River which runs through the center of our community. The river runs parallel and two blocks away from Main Street and has the potential to be a contaminant pathway. The Powder Basin Watershed Council (PBWC) has been managing a volunteer river monitoring program for the last four years throughout the Powder Basin. This more focused data on the section of the Powder River that runs through Baker City will allow us to trace potential pathways from the surrounding brownfields to the wildlife and humans who recreate in the river. This aligns with the EPA Region 10 priority of protecting and enhancing water. Students from BTI will continue with their monitoring efforts in partnership with the PBWC and expand their efforts to support the monitoring goals outlined by the watershed council's letter of support in Appendix 5.

b. Economic and Community Benefits Ever since the 1990's, Baker City has struggled to regain its once growing prosperity. As mills and mines closed, many jobs were lost without promise of another. In 1996 Baker City/County hit an all time high unemployment rate of 11%. Neighboring counties, Malheur and Union experienced rates of 8.3% and 7.5% respectively. After nearly 20 years Baker County still suffers from a higher rate of unemployment compared to Malheur and Union County (Source: Oregon Employment Department Qualityinfo.org) As the economic corridors have sat without investment, the potential employees have left to find other work or have fallen into our welfare system. An average of 3,476 residents per month receive SNAP benefits (Source: Oregon Department of Human Services, Office of Business Intelligence).

This grant project will assess once dilapidated and blighted properties and help owners vision how their property will be brought back into functionality for and by our community. With community meetings, business roundtables and workshops, property owners will be able to design how their business will be of beneficial use to the city. Community development can begin and multiple city-wide plans will have a barrier removed and can progress toward actualizing their goals. Economically, this grant would provide the boost we need to regain the ability to redevelop our local commercial corridors and build business and job capacity.

#### 5. PROGRAMMATIC CAPABILITY AND PAST PERFORMANCE

**A. Audit Finding:** Baker City has had a few minor findings on our federal grants, however there were no major findings. Findings are reported in the Single Audit section of the audit at the end of the financial statements each year and available upon request. Baker City has implemented

internal controls and contracting/purchasing policies to ensure that best practices for grant management are used.

**B. Programmatic Capability:** Baker City is pleased to have a team of highly qualified and skilled city staff members and partners involved in the management of this project. Ms. Nudd (City) and Ms. Alameda (BTI) will collaborate to organize community events, plan next steps, and direct the grant. City staff members will administer the grant under their direction. Upon receipt of the grant award, Baker City will enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Baker Technical Institute outlining the expectations and roles for both agencies during the grant timeline. BTI's expertise and resources from their existing program will be used to acquire additional resources. The key staff members are as follows:

Megan Alameda, Instructor of Brownfields, Baker Technical Institute: Megan has a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science and Resources from Portland State University, a Master of Science in Environmental Science from the (now) Expedition Education Institute and a Master of Arts in Teaching Science from Lewis and Clark Graduate School. She has been teaching Environmental Science; Brownfields in Baker for five years in which time she and her students have assessed and cleaned up two properties, presented at state and national brownfield conferences, helped monitor the Powder River, and are working on three more properties as well as this grant.

Robin Nudd, Community Development Coordinator, City of Baker City: Robin is a graduate of Eastern Oregon University with a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration. Robin will act as the City's Project Manager for the grant and will assist with implementation of all phases of the project. Robin has extensive knowledge and experience in grant management due to her previous role as Director/Administrator of the Baker County Public Health Department. Robin is very familiar with coordinating efforts between multiple agencies. As part of her current role as Community Development Coordinator, Robin is tasked with assisting with business development and expansion, beautification and safety enhancements along the business corridors and supporting tourism and recreation.

Jeanie Dexter, Director of Finance, City of Baker City: Jeanie is a CPA and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting. Jeanie has been the Finance Director for the City of Baker City since April of 2007. Jeanie collects, safeguards and disperses all City funds. She supervises the collection and billing of water and sewer services, ambulance charges, and special assessment charges. Jeanie monitors revenue receipts, accounts receivable, bank reconciliations, payroll, and invests surplus funds. Duties also include ensuring that departments comply with contracting and purchasing procedures. Periodic financial reports are her responsibility as well as preparing the City's annual budget and overseeing all grant accounting and billing. Jeanie will work with Robin to ensure that the grant is tracked and managed according to city, state and federal guidelines.

Holly Kerns, Director of Planning, City of Baker City and Baker County: Holly holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Natural Resources from Oregon State University. She has been with the Baker County Planning Department for 10 years and has served as Director for the combined City-County program for two years. Holly will serve as an advisor to the core team, assisting with land use land use regulations, community outreach and redevelopment efforts. Fred Warner, Jr., City Manager, City of Baker City: Fred graduated from Oregon State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration. He served as the Chairman of the Baker County Board of Commissioners from January 2003 to December 2014.

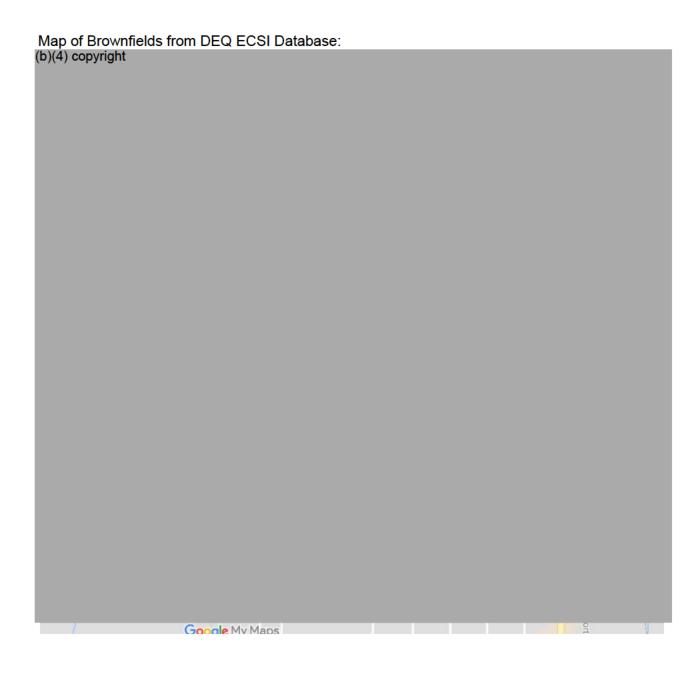
In 2015 he received his real estate license and began working as a Broker at Nelson Real Estate. Fred became the City Manager of Baker City in June of 2016. As part of the core team, Fred will act as liaison between the project team and City Council. Fred will also meet on a monthly basis with project manager for updates and to ensure that grant project is implemented in line with City priorities.

C. Measuring Environmental Results; Anticipated Outputs/Outcomes

Table 4: Measur	Table 4: Measuring Environmental Results					
Task	Methods of Tracking and Measuring Progress					
1. Project Management and Programmatic Activities	Outputs: Quarterly Reports, Annual DBE Reports, Project Closeout Report Outcomes: Proactive and effective management of project activities; tracking of results Tracking Methods: Delivery of reports; communication with EPA Region 10 staff					
2. Community Involvement	Outputs: Public Involvement Plan, Web Page, Fact Sheets, Informational Material, four meetings, Meeting Minutes Outcomes: An informed and engaged community Tracking Methods: Number of meetings held and attendance; post-meeting surveys					
3. Inventory, Prioritization, and EDs	Outputs: Site Inventory and Prioritization Report, Web-based Viewer Outcomes: Comprehensive database of known and potential brownfields Tracking Methods: Delivery of complete geodatabase; engagement with eligible property owners to discuss grant opportunities					
4. Phase I ESAs	Outputs: 10 ESA Reports, HASP, ACRES updates Outcomes: Identify and address recognized environmental conditions on brownfield properties Tracking Methods: ACRES updates; property transactions					
5. Phase II ESAs, RAPs, and AWP	Outputs: QAPP, SSSAPs/HASPs, ESA Reports, AWP Reports Outcomes: Characterize and analyze environmental conditions on sites where RECs need to be addressed; a community vision for future redevelopment Tracking Methods: Properties assessed and remediated; property transactions; clean plans and redevelopment vision documents.					

#### D. Past Performance and Accomplishments

ii. Received other Federal or Non-Federal Assistance: The City has never applied for an EPA Brownfield grant, however, we have successfully applied for and received three EPA funded grants within the last few years. In 2014 the City of Baker City was awarded a Safe Drinking Water Revolving Fund grant and loan for a UV plant. The cost for the plant was \$2 million (\$250,000 grant and \$1,750,000 loan) and loan payments and reports will be ongoing for the next 18 years. In 2015 we were awarded a \$30,000 grant to develop a Water Facility Plan. The Water Facility Plan was completed on time in February of 2016. Just recently, the City was awarded a \$20,000 grant for a Wastewater Plan through the Infrastructure Finance Authority and it will be completed within the next year. The City of Baker City realizes the importance of these funding streams and therefore is committed to meeting expectations set out in each grant.



Appendix 4: Focused List of Brownfields along Main, Broadway and 10th Streets in Baker City, Oregon.

4.00/8-05	Brownfiel	Name	Past Address	Current Address:	Property Owner:	Current Use:	Property Value (Assessed):	
site screen recommend	5512	Union Service Station	2000 1st st	1990 Washington	Pioneer Bank, C/O UMPQUA BANK,	Umpqua Bank	\$1,264,130.00	petroleum
state prelim assess recommend	1057	Hardman Property	1730 Broadway	1730 Broadway	(b) (6) Bend, OR	residence	\$85,029.00	mercury
no further action	5511	Americal Oil Service Stn	2017 Broadway	2055 1st street	Phillips Investment Inc	current building for sale (2055 1st)	\$164,304.00	petroleum
no further action	5504	Bob's Richfield (former) Service Stn.	2036 Broadway	2036 Broadway	Grant-Baker Federal Credit Union	old west credit union	\$457,999.00	LUST/UST
no further action	5510	Standard Station	2019 Broadway	2055 1st street	Phillips Investment Inc	for sale	\$485400.00 -> \$77, 870.00	petroleum
site screen recommend	5497	Anderson Motor Co.	2225 Broadway	2090 4th street	Baker 5J	School district office!	\$423,560.00	petroleum
site screen recommend	5498	Miller & Miller Garage	2224 Broadway	2107 3rd street	Calvary Baptist Church,	Calvary Baptist Church	\$0.00	petroleum
site screen recommend	5501	Chet's Super Stn	2834 Broadway	2122 10th	GLP Holdings, LLC,	Ne-Hi?	\$161,510.00	petroleum
refer to program	5505	Broadway Service Station	2150 Broadway	2150 Broadway	Poor Farm Ilc Robert Black,	currently a gas station!	\$26,160.00	petroleum
site screen recommend	5496	Durgan's Shell Service	2205 Broadway	2205 Broadway	Caleb Rowe Etal,	now Knights Inn	\$400,820.00	petroleum
site screen recommend	5486	Brown Machine Shop	2330 Main St	2300 Main - 4 tax lots	Donald & Jackie Phillips,	Ford - 2 parking lots and 2 buildings	\$229,283.00	petroleum
site screen recommend	5515	Coyle Union Service	2394 Broadway	2390 Broadway	J and N Properties LLC	Joe Scott's Premier Auto Body	\$65,457.00	petroleum
site screen recommend	5508	Monroe Service Station	2440 Broadway	2440 Broadway	Dan & Cheryl Haberman	next to H & H lock & key	\$44,202.00	petroleum

site screen recommend	5499	Broadway Cabins	2468 Broadway	2466 Broadway	Dusty & K. Christensen,	Precision Auto Import	\$129,110.00	petroleum
refer to program	5506	Slocum Motor Co	2505 Broadway	2505 Broadway	c/o DHQ,	Salvation Army	\$0.00	petroleum
refer to program	5507	Baker Motor Co	2715 Broadway	2715 Broadway	PSER Society,	3 building - storage?	\$32,680.00	petroleum
site screen recommend	3393	Blue Mtn Oil	2795 10th st	2795 10th st	Willem Properties,	Baker City Muffler	\$58,600.00	petroleum
site screen recommend	3140	Longwells 10th street Cleaners	2830 10th street	2830 10th street	Rushton Podiatry, PC	Rushton Podiatry	\$108,000.00	dry cleaners
site screen recommend	5503	Scott Pontiac	2875 Broadway	2875 Broadway	E&S Land, LLC,	S&E Inc. Small Engine Repair	\$104,531.00	petroleum
site screen recommend	5509	Edge Service Station	2901 Broadway	2901 Broadway	Eagle River Enterprises,	corner of 10th and Broadway, scrap	09S40E17CD - 600 \$6,133	petroleum
site confirmatory sampling recommend	3138	Williams Cleaners & Laundry	3175 10th St	3175 10th St	Wilfred & Sandra Daggett Prop LC,	DHS building - NE corner of lot by road	\$11,839.00	dry cleaners
state prelim assess recommend	2823	Ellingson Lumber Co.	3100 Broadway	3205 broadway street	Steven & Cindy McLean, P.O. Box 954	Four seasons insulation	\$99,410.00	petroleum
site screen recommend	5500	Broadway Service Stations	multiple locations	multiple locations Broadway		Gas Station		petroleum
no further action	4068	General Farm Supply	2975 10th	2975 10th	John & Michelle Dollar	Windshield Repair	\$109,100.00	petroleum
no further action	5514	Poe Motor Company	2390 Broadway	2390 Broadway	J & N Properties Inc	Premier Auto Body	\$67,420.00 - \$87,380.00	petroleum
prospective purchaser	6206	IOOF #25> Baker 5J	1718, 1720, & 1780 Main	1718, 1720, & 1780 Main	IOOF PPA to Baker 5J-2018	Bagel Shop and abandoned	\$160,000.00	heavy metals

#### Appendix 1 - Baker County's Persistent Poverty

Baker City is within a county experiencing persistent poverty. Though our poverty rates may not reach the threshold given, (20% of population lived in poverty over the last 30 years) Baker County has experienced significantly more poverty than the state's average and continues to have 1% - 5% higher poverty rates.

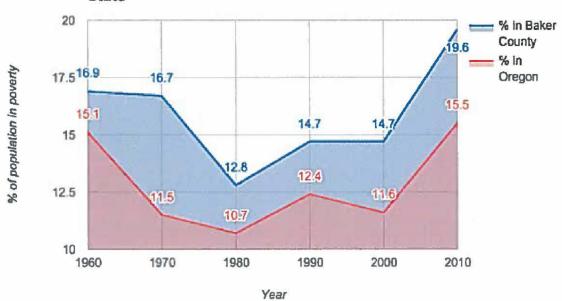
% of population below poverty level

Year	% in Baker County		% in Oregon
1960	888	16.9	15.1
1970		16.7	11.5
1980	i.	12.8	10.7
1990		14.7	12.4
2000		14.7	11.6
2010		19.6	15.5

Data taken from the 1960 - 2000 Decennial Census.

<a href="http://www.census.gov/library/visualizations/time-series/demo/census-poverty-tool.html">http://www.census.gov/library/visualizations/time-series/demo/census-poverty-tool.html</a>

# % Poverty in Baker County compared to Oregon State



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9th November, 2017



BAKER TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

Dear Ms. Nudd:

We are the students at Baker Technical Institute, enrolled in Environmental Science Brownfields in Baker. In this course, we are studying brownfield clean-up projects and are excited to be a part of this grant to assist in this effort. As students and citizens of Baker City, we want to see our town improve in every way and we feel cleaning up our contaminated properties will go along way to make that happen. Therefore, we wish to express our support for the EPA Community Wide Assessment Grant for Baker City.

For the last few years, many of us have taken part on the assessing and cleaning numerous brownfields. We researched and wrote RFP/RFQs, hired environmental consulting firms, presented at state brownfield conferences, collaborated with Baker County on a cleanup, assessed and cleaned up two properties, and we are currently working on two more. Not only has this class affected our community and made Baker a healthier environment, but it has inspired a few of us students to pursue this particular career.

If we receive this grant, our class will participate in and help with the actualizing of the grant. We will help facilitate meetings and open houses, conduct research and surveys, give tours and map our community, monitor and educate about our Powder River, and help design and vision our Youth Community Center. This is will better educate ourselves and others on the local problems resulting from brownfields, and get more stakeholders to the table in Baker. We are committed to helping in any way we can.

We know from our work in class that this grant will not only help further Baker City into becoming a more sustainable community, but it will also help us as students learn more about the environment and make an impact within our community's future. The Environmental Science class is excited to help prepare and vision this grant, to be able to support and work with the city, and to better our community.

We give our support for Baker City's EPA Community Wide Assessment Grant and hope the EPA gives us this opportunity to help realize our community's goals while providing a unique educational experience for Baker students.

Sincerely,

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Students of Environmental Science; Brownfields in Baker class at Baker Technical Institute

November 9th, 2017

Baker Youth Activity Center Committee 14791 Pine Creek Lane Baker City, OR 97814

Dear Mrs. Nudd and Alameda,

I am writing today to voice support for Baker City's application for the US EPA Community Wide Assessment Grant.

We the Baker Youth Activity Center committee believe in any effort to expand the experiences and knowledge of the youth in our community, and this grant would give our kids a unique experience. We also believe in helping youth become the change we need to see in our community and this grant's projects give our youth a very tangible opportunity to not only improve our community, but also to create it. It also gives the youth an opportunity to experience the rich history of our area in a way classroom instruction may not be capable of producing.

As you know our dream is to have the youth of Baker be a driving force not just in the use of an activity center, but also to have them involved in the creation and design of it. Our hope is to use the students of BTI to select the building, modify the building, and bring the location to life. This grant would help us not only find a location but know what we will need to do to help the location fit our needs.

Baker Youth Activity Center is willing to:

- Attend any meetings for this project
- Participate in any community meetings concerning this project.
- Facilitate meetings with youth to determine the direction and design of the facilities for the youth activity center.
- Work closely with Baker Technical Institute to help the youth realize the Baker Youth Activity Center.
- Support in the gathering of input from the youth of the community.

If you choose to grant Baker City this grant it will help our organization provide a safe place for the youth of Baker City to grow and improve. Beyond just helping us find a building, this grant will start us down a youth led path towards a youth center designed by youth. I cannot stress enough the benefit this grant would be to our community and specifically the youth.

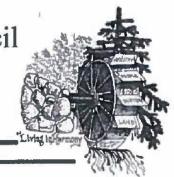
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Singerely:

Chair of Baker Youth Activity Center

# Powder Basin Watershed Council

2034 Auburn Ave., Ste. B Baker City, Oregon 97814 (541) 523-7288



Robin Nudd Baker City Community Development 1655 First St. Baker City, OR 97814

November 2, 2017

Dear Ms. Nudd,

The Powder Basin Watershed Council enthusiastically supports the efforts of Baker City and Baker Technical Institute to obtain funds from the US EPA Brownfields Community-Wide Assessment grant program to assess and inventory potential brownfields within downtown Baker City. Their approach is consistent with one of the philosophical tenets of our organization: economic prosperity depends on a healthy environment. By addressing the issue of contamination caused by historical activity, economic opportunities in Baker City will be improved for all. In addition, we support the inclusion of students in the process. Providing meaningful hands-on learning opportunities for students is something we also strive to do. By contributing to the well-being of their community in a tangible way, students can engage more effectively than in a traditional classroom setting. We have also seen from past projects how this type of experience can provide inspiration for students beyond the classroom by influencing their families, peers, educational opportunities and the larger community.

In addition to supporting their efforts, the Powder Basin Watershed Council is pleased to join as a partner in the effort. We have developed a water quality monitoring program to assess the potential wide-ranging impacts of contamination occurring in Baker City. In addition to impacting economic health of the community, contamination can affect the ecologic and human health of a community. Assessing water quality is a way to determine the risk of exposure to residents, as well as the extent of the impacts from historic or active brownfields. We will be analyzing sediments from the bed of the Powder River, water from the Powder River and water discharging from storm drains into the Powder River for common contaminants, including petroleum constituents, PCB's and dry-cleaning solvents. Samples will be collected from throughout the downtown area and will help with locating areas that should be prioritized for remediation.

Sincerely.

Christo Morris
Executive Director.



# BAKER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

3330 Pocahontas Road Baker City, OR 97814 Phone: 541.523.8211

Fax: 541.523.8242 TTY: 800.735.2900

November 9, 2017

City of Baker City P.O. Box 650 Baker City, OR 97814

Dear Ms. Nudd:

I am writing this letter in support of the City of Baker City's application to obtain a U.S. EPA Brownfields Community-Wide Assessment grant.

The Baker County Health Department's mission is to protect, preserve and promote the health and well being of all Baker County residents. The scope of the City's project aligns well with our mission and we are very excited to have the opportunity to be a community partner throughout the process.

The City of Baker City's intent to assess, inventory and prioritize redevelopment sites is exciting. If the City is successful in securing the grant, our office will participate in the following ways:

- > Assist with assessment of properties and be on hand with BTI and Contractor to meet with landowners and our vulnerable population to discuss the affects of brownfields.
- > Assist with Inventory of properties by utilizing ATSDR Took Kit.
- Provide health data specific to target area.

We look forward to partnering with the City of Baker City and the Baker Technical Institute in assessing, inventorying, and providing data.

Sincerely,

Nancy Staten, Administrator

**Baker County Health Department** 

Baker County Health Department (BCHD) is available to all that no individual is excluded from participation, denied benefits, or subject to discrimination on the grounds of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, age, financial status, and disability.

November 7, 2017

City of Baker City P.O. Box 650 Baker City, OR 97814

Dear Ms. Nudd,

I am writing this letter in support of the City of Baker City's application to obtain a U.S. EPA Brownfields Community-Wide Assessment grant.

The mission of the Baker City Parks and Recreation Board is to permanently preserve, protect, maintain, improve and enhance its natural resources, parkland and recreation opportunities for current and future generations. I feel strongly that the work laid out in the grant application aligns with our mission, specifically our goal to establish a park space on the west side of town near old industrial and commercial sites that are listed as possible brownfields.

We are very excited at the thought of bringing together students and community members to help reduce negative environmental issues while working to develop plans for re-use or re-development of neglected properties due to either perceived or real concerns of contamination. If the City is successful in securing the grant, the Parks and Recreation Board would like to be at the table to discuss and provide insight into future uses of properties. The potential for increasing our greenspaces and making sure our Leo Adler Memorial Parkway is located on a clean and healthy river is essential to improving the quality of life in Baker City and County.

Sincerely,

Loran Joseph

Loran Joseph, City Council Representative Baker City Parks and Recreation Board Hatch Innovation / HatchLab Baker 2019 A Main Street Baker City, OR 97814 amy@hatchthefuture.org bryan@hatchthefuture.org

October 30, 2017

Ms. Robin Nudd, Community Development Coordinator PO Box 650 Baker City OR 97814

Dear MS, Nudd,



We are writing this letter in support of the EPA Assessment Grant the City of Baker is submitting for implementation in Baker City, Oregon. We offer our strong support for the City's efforts to pursue this grant to increase knowledge of brownfield site issues as they relate to economic development and community health here in Baker City, Oregon.

Hatch Innovation is a nonprofit that provides business, legal, and fundraising technical assistance for business owners. We have worked closely with the Northeast Oregon region to help build stronger economies and healthier communities. This grant effort aligns perfectly with our mission, and we can support it fully.

The partnerships being formed between the school district teachers and students, economic development professionals, nonprofits, and city government are unique and powerful, breaking down silos, enabling all parties a clearer and more comprehensive picture of the health of Baker City.

The most impressive aspect to this partnership and process is their past success of taking a project from identifying to evaluation to remediation then sold back into the community as new, viable, healthy, safe space for business. Their success is a rare and highly commendable feat in the brownfield process.

Our commitment to this project will include the following activities:

- 1. Attend community planning and informational meetings,
- 2. Provide business technical support for businesses / landowners where appropriate,
- 3. Offer fundraising workshops when capital is required for follow-on business or property development,
- Offer our network as a communication channel to keep the local and regional community informed and apprised
  of the project's progress.

We look forward to helping revitalize Baker City!

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Sincerely,

Amy Pearl, Executive Director

Hatch Innovation www.hatchthefuture.org

Sincerely,

Bryan Tweit. Managing Director

HatchLab Baker https://hatchthefuture.org/hatchlab-baker/



November 13, 2017

Administrator Scott Pruitt
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20460

RE: City of Baker City, Oregon - FY 2018 Community-Wide Assessment Grant Proposal

## Dear Administrator Pruitt:

I am writing to express my support on behalf of the Oregon Business Development Department (Business Oregon) for the Community-Wide Assessment Grant Proposal (Proposal) being submitted by the City of Baker City (City) for funding assistance consideration to address environmental contamination concerns throughout the City with specific focus on properties within the City's historic transportation corridors – Broadway, Main Street, and 10<sup>th</sup> Street (Oregon Highway 30).

A northeast Oregon rural community rich in history, Baker City has been challenged over the past decades by a multitude of economic disruptions — most notable the rapid declines in its core natural resource based industries — timber and mining. Vacant and underutilized industrial and commercial zoned properties are prevalent throughout the City but especially along the City's core historic transportation corridors. The City's proposal is unique in that it not only highlights the actions it plans to take but also provides the "back story" to how high school students at Baker Technical Institute (BTI) became and continue to be engaged in understanding and managing the impact of brownfields within the community in which they live. BTI students have served as session presenters at the last two Oregon Brownfields Conferences — providing them with the opportunity to share their learnings with the larger Oregon brownfields "community." Finally, of note is that this proposal provides the City with needed capacity to build off of a baseline of information developed by BTI students to ensure that concerns about contamination on a property do not pose a barrier to its productive reuse. Such actions will benefit not only the City but also the economic wellbeing and sustainability of the region.

Business Oregon encourages community efforts which result in healthier and more sustainable communities since these efforts ultimately lead to the creation of jobs through the redevelopment of stigmatized properties. Business Oregon, through its Brownfields Program, awarded \$200,000 to Baker School District 5J for the Ostwald Machine Shop property cleanup. Baker Technical Institute's high school course in brownfields management began with taking on this property and saw it through successful cleanup. Currently, Business Oregon is providing grant funding assistance to BTI for two project: (1) a \$60,000 technical assistance funding to complete environmental due diligence prior to acquisition of the former Independent Order of Oddfellows Building located on Baker City's historic Main Street by the School District; and (2) \$15,000 technical assistance funding to complete assessment and removal of an underground storage tank at the District's Bus Barn. Continued funding assistance through Business Oregon's brownfields program, especially for cleanup activities, is available for both public and private property owners. Furthermore, Business Oregon manages a number of public

infrastructure and business financing programs which are available to assist with the redevelopment of properties and the building of capacity to attract, retain, and expand job creating businesses.

Business Oregon strongly supports and I sincerely hope that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency approves funding for this proposal. I can be reached at (971) 239-9951 if you have any questions about the range and versatility of Business Oregon's business, infrastructure and brownfields financing programs.

Sincerely,

Karen Homolac

**Brownfields Program Specialist** 

Cc: Megan Alameda, BTI



# REGIONAL SOLUTIONS OFFICE GOVERNOR KATE BROWN

November 13, 2017

Robin Nudd Community Development Coordinator City of Baker City 1655 First Street Baker City, OR 97814

Dear Ms. Nudd,

I am writing this letter on behalf of the Northeast Oregon Regional Solutions Advisory Board to express our support for the City of Baker City's EPA Community-wide Assessment Grant.

Regional Solutions is an economic and community development collaborative based in the Governor's office and including state community development agencies. We work with the private sector, foundations, and local, state and federal government to coordinate and leverage public investments to address regional priorities for Northeast Oregon.

Three of the top priorities identified for Northeast Oregon by the Regional Solutions Advisory Board are workforce to meet regional employment opportunities, quality of life improvements to retain and attract workforce, and job retention and creation. Your proposal to perform brownfield assessments and plan cleanup and redevelopment of brownfield sites will advance these priorities by providing job-training opportunities to local students and setting the stage to replace blight with new and efficient business development opportunities in Baker City's core downtown area.

The Regional Solutions team and member agencies are committed to working with Baker City, the Baker Technical Institute and other partners to support brownfield revitalization and economic and community development in Baker City by providing technical and, where available, financial assistance for your brownfield redevelopment efforts. These partnerships have been successful in the past and we believe with the EPA's assistance we can collectively advance identified regional priorities and bring new opportunities to Baker City.

Sincerely,

Courtney Crowell, Eastern Oregon Regional Coordinator

**Regional Solutions** 

Office of Governor Kate Brown

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November 15, 2017

Ms. Robin Nudd, Community Development Coordinator City of Baker City P.O. Box 650 Baker City, OR 97814

Dear Ms. Nudd,

On behalf of Baker City Downtown, Inc., I would like to offer our support for the City of Baker City's EPA Community-wide Assessment Grant.

Our Economic Vitality Committee is eager to work with you and community partners to assess and develop plans for reuse of potentially contaminated sites in our downtown district. These activities will play a major role in our efforts as we seek to fill vacant buildings and support economic development.

Robert Anders, member of our Economic Vitality Committee, will be our representative to assist you. Mr. Anders may be reached at contact.anders@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Tori Brown, President Baker City Downtown, Inc.

OMB Number: 4040-0004 Expiration Date: 10/31/2019

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* Email: rnudd@ba	kercity.com			

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424
* 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:
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* 10. Name of Federal Agency:
Environmental Protection Agency
11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:
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CFDA Title:
Brownfields Assessment and Cleanup Cooperative Agreements
* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:
EPA-OLEM-OBLR-17-07
* Title:
FY18 GUIDELINES FOR BROWNFIELDS ASSESSMENT GRANTS
13. Competition Identification Number:
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14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):
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* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:
Application for EPA Community Wide Assessment Grant: A municipal and student led effort to assess and inventory potential brownfield sites within three business districts in the City of Baker City.
Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.
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* a. Federal 300,000.00	
* b. Applicant 0.00	
* c. State 0 . 00	
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* 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?	
a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on	
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